

FW: Blockages at Canada/US border

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Date: Wed, 02 Feb 2022 14:44:31 +0000

Hey Emily, I'm sorry I don't have your number saved in my phone otherwise I would've called - can you ring me about the below email when you have a chance?

Miled Hill
Directeur des politiques | Cabinet du ministre des Transports
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C: Irrelevant

-----Original Message-----

From: Chughtai, Ayesha [mailto:Ayesha.Chughtai@pmo-cpm.gc.ca]
Sent: Wednesday, February 02, 2022 9:29 AM
To: Cohen, Alexander <Alexander.Cohen@ps-sp.gc.ca>; Baril, Marie-Pier (ISED/ISDE) <Marie-Pier.Baril@ised-isde.gc.ca>
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Adding Abed to this chain who shared the following note:

FYI, I am hearing from stakeholders that truckers are planning to block all major boarder crossings between US and Canada. They are planning to do this either today at 12, or tomorrow at 12.

In light of the impact and media attention the Alberta boarder blockade is getting I would assume the probability of other crossings being blocked is high.

Can you share with PS, and other relevant folks?

Thanks,

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 2, 2022, at 9:18 AM, Chughtai, Ayesha <Ayesha.Chughtai@pmo-cpm.gc.ca> wrote:

Good Morning,

MP Can you share what your opening remarks will be at the announcement to address the situation?

And Alex, any morning updates pre-the Ministers media avail?

Ayesha Chughtai (she/her/elle)

C: **Personal Info.**

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From: Cohen, Alexander <Alexander.Cohen@ps-sp.gc.ca>

Sent: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 9:38 PM

To: Baril, Marie-Pier (ISED/ISDE) <Marie-Pier.Baril@ised-isde.gc.ca>

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Do you think you could also add something saying we've extended hours at two other border crossings? Kenney specifically called on us to do that tonight (we were already doing it; which is evident in the language in our response):

"The Government of Alberta is primarily responsible for managing the situation, while the federal government coordinating closely with them within our areas of responsibility and Minister Mendicino is in touch with his Alberta counterparts. Earlier today, the Canada Border Services Agency extended hours of service at the Carway and Del Bonita, AB crossings to help travellers and trade keep moving."

On Feb 1, 2022, at 9:27 PM, Baril, Marie-Pier (ISED/ISDE) <Marie-Pier.Baril@ised-isde.gc.ca> wrote:
Noted and added below.

-----Original Message-----

From: Chughtai, Ayesha <Ayesha.Chughtai@pmo-cpm.gc.ca>

Sent: February 1, 2022 9:25 PM

To: Baril, Marie-Pier (ISED/ISDE) <Marie-Pier.Baril@ised-isde.gc.ca>

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I would recommend when speaking about the truckers stuck at the border an acknowledgment that some have made it home and that we're thankful they have.

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On Feb 1, 2022, at 9:22 PM, Baril, Marie-Pier (ISED/ISDE) <Marie-Pier.Baril@ised-isde.gc.ca> wrote:

Hi folks,

Here is the reply we will send to the Edmonton Journal from our boss. Will close in about 30min, so any feedback before that would be much appreciated. It's very much aligned with PS's stmt.

"While we will always support peaceful protest, this illegal blockade poses serious risks – both for local residents who can't leave their town or be reached by emergency services, and for hundreds of vaccinated truckers who are stuck on both sides of the border. These hardworking truckers are essential to the function of our supply chains and to the efficiency of our economy. **While some have made it home and we're thankful they have**, my heart goes out to those stranded south of the border as well as their families waiting for them to return home while this situation is evolving. As we have said in regards to the protest in Ottawa, we know people are frustrated with COVID but we need to continue the fight to end the pandemic. Their views have been heard but it is time to move.

The Coutts-Sweetgrass Border Crossing is among the most important in Western Canada, and the blockade is causing serious issues for the wide array of businesses who rely on it to get their goods to market. The Alberta RCMP, as the local police of jurisdiction, are managing the situation. After repeated attempts to resolve the situation through discussions with the organizers, the RCMP has now begun to dismantle the blockade. I would like to call on everyone involved to put an end to the blockade before it does further damage to our economy.

We will continue to closely monitor the ongoing situation near the Coutts Border Crossing in Alberta and work to ensure the safe and efficient passage of all vehicles and transport trucks."

-----Original Message-----

From: Power, Mary-Liz <Mary-Liz.Power@pmo-cpm.gc.ca>

Sent: February 1, 2022 8:58 PM

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Power, Mary-Liz would like to recall the message, "Blockages at Canada/US border".